

Biosafety Risk Assessment: Safety Risk Groups

- **Risk Group 1**
 - No or low individual and community risk
 - Unlikely to cause human or animal disease
- **Risk Group 2**
 - Moderate individual risk, low community risk
 - Can cause disease but unlikely to be a serious hazard. Lab exposures may cause serious infection, but effective treatment and preventative measures are available and risk of spread of infection is limited
- **Risk Group 3**
 - High individual risk, low community risk
 - Usually causes serious human or animal disease but does not ordinarily spread. Effective treatment and preventative measures are available.
- **Risk Group 4**
 - High individual and community risk
 - Usually causes serious human or animal disease and can be readily transmitted. Effective treatment and preventative measures are not usually available